



CITY OF MORGAN HILL

17555 PEAK AVENUE MORGAN HILL CALIFORNIA 95037

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

October 18, 2005

**MORGAN HILL CITY HALL
Council Chambers**

**17555 Peak Avenue
Morgan Hill, CA 95037
408.779.7271**

Chair

Jeff Bernardini

Vice-Chair

Marilyn Librers

Commission Member

Mark Frederick

Commission Member

Jim Green

Commission Member

Laura Hagiperos

Commission Member

Katharine Hardt-Mason

Commission Member

Craig C. van Keulen

LIAISON

Sports Complex, SAC

Swim Teams

Youth Advisory, Endowment

IRC, Parks, Sports Complex

Swim Teams

CPRS

BTAC

IRC, Sports Complex

**7:00 p.m.
CALL TO ORDER**

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE
Absent: Bernardini, Green, vanKuelan

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA
Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

REPORTS

A. YAC & SAC TOUR OF IRC

Deputy Public Works Director Mori Struve reported that there will be a tour of the IRC for the YAC and SAC.

B. RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Interim Manager Rod Cooper reported on the swim meet set for the weekend at the Aquatic Center. He thinks they will have about 1000 people attended and that all of the hotels in the area being booked for the event. Mr. Cooper also informed the PRC about the art exhibit hanging at the Community Center. It is a photography exhibit by artist Narindar Dogra; it will be at the Center for another month. Mr. Cooper also reported that the City of Morgan Hill is the beginning stages of recruiting for a permanent Director for Recreation and Community Services.

C. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Commissioner Frederick reported on his tour at the IRC. Commissioner Liebers reported on the YAC. The YAC wants to have a band concert to benefit the Skate Park. YAC is also in the planning stages of a Senior Ball to be held with the City of Gilroy. It will be for seniors and Youth.

BUSINESS

1. INTERIM DOG PARK

Recommended Action: Discuss letter to PG&E regarding W. Main substation and JUA with PG&E. Deputy Public Works Director Mori Struve reported on the letter that was sent to PG&E stating that the City of Morgan Hill would not be pursuing the PG&E site.

2. INTERIM DOG PARK

Recommended Action: PRC input on construction design, phasing, proposed amendments to the Community Park Master Plan and proposed Tenants of Agreement with D.O.G. Operation and Maintenance. Deputy Public Works Director Struve stated that he would like to have the PRC review the construction plan for the Dog Park. He suggested that they go back to calling the park a "Permanent Dog Park" The issue will also have to go back to City Council because of the change in size of the proposed park. PRC also needs to discuss the agreement between the City of Morgan Hill and D.O.G. There was discussion about the placement of soccer fields at Community Park.

Nancy Dorker spoke on behalf of D.O.G. and the fundraising that will be going on. It was also mentioned that D.O.G. would like for the City of Morgan Hill to take on the responsibility of the insurance for the dog park area. Discussion went on about D.O.G. getting some sort of insurance rider to cover the gap from the City's insurance deductible. Gloria Zufall from D.O.G. stated that the group is working on the park for the

City of Morgan Hill. If their group has to pay for insurance she feels that would be the end of the group, the cost of the insurance would be too much for them.

Commissioner Liebers feels that the park should be permanent with all the fundraising being done by D.O.G.. Commissioners Hagiperos, Frederick & Librers all said that they like the increased size of the dog park.

Staff Struve went over recommendations from the City of Morgan Hill. He stated that the cost of the park will be the responsibility of D.O.G. Electricity will be charged to D.O.G. Electricity should be a minimum amount. Basic needs that have to be met before the park can open are water and fencing with a double blind gate.

Commissioners felt that cost should be borne by the City; maybe draft should say that at such time that funds become available the City will take care of all costs. Commissioner Frederick feels the dog park is a city use and it should be paid for by the city. He feels that Staff Struve should draft an agreement that would be reviewed on an annual basis and that in 2007 the cost will be picked up by the city. They talked about the fact that the Community Park master plan called for a Dog Park in 2007.

Commissioner Hagiperos wanted to know what the contingency plan was if the D.O.G. organization dissolved. Who would take care of the dog park then?

D.O.G. wants the City of Morgan Hill to take responsibility for insuring the park. If that cost is on D.O.G, they feel it would be the end of the group. Discussion went around the dais as to the possibility of D.O.G. have gap insurance to just pay the deductible of the City policy. They will look in to that cost.

Next item of discussion was about signage and corporate sponsors. Ms Zufall said that D.O. G. is looking for a corner stone corporate sponsor. This led to a discussion about banners and fundraising. Staff Stuve will look into the temporary sign permit information it was discussed that D.O.G. would need to apply for a Special Event Permit if they were doing events on City property.

Staff Struve will work on MOA and bring the matter back to the November meeting.

Motion was made to include the words “permanent Dog Park” in the master plan. Motion made by Mark Frederick, 2nd by Commissioner Hagiperos. Motion passed (4-0)

3. RENTAL FEES FOR CITY OF MORGAN HILL SPORTS FIELDS

Recommended Action: Chair would like to continue discussion of rental fees and Provide direction to staff on how to proceed. Item tabled till November meeting.

4. INDOOR REC CENTER-GYM- NUMBER OF BADMINTON COURTS.

Recommended Action: Receive staff report provide recommendations. Item tabled till November meeting.

- 5. POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF DECEMBER 20TH PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING.** Motion made by Mark Frederick, second by Marilyn Librers to cancel December 2005 meeting. Motion carried (4-0)

- 6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 2005.**
Recommended Action: Approve minutes as written. Minutes can not be approved as there is not a quorum from the September meeting in attendance at currant meeting. item tabled till November meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT Regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting on November 15, 2005.